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Occupy Wall Street protestors march with painted signs in New York's financial district.

Fall job fair draws mixed reviews

BY MELANY PARLAMAN
Staff Writer

The 2011 General Job/Internship Fair took place last Wednesday, garnering contradicting praise from employers and event sponsors and criticism from students.

This year's fair officially hosted 65 employers and 254 pre-registered students, though Career Services estimates that roughly 400 students actually attended the event. The General Job/Internship Fair, which is typically held in the Wicomico Room, expanded this year to include more employers in the Nanticoke Room.

"The recession has affected the job fair, but I'm glad to see that this year, things seem much better," said Gloria Horner, a career consultant at Career Services. "Personally, I think they know how great our SU students are and can't stay away."

Employers attending the fair also noticed a discernable boost in the number of opportunities available to SU students at this fall's job and internship fair.

"It shrank about two years ago when the economy went down, but there is a definite increase in employer interest lately," said Ray Ruiz, manager of campus recruiting for returning company KPMG.

Beverly Butler, talent management specialist for returning company Dimension Healthcare Systems, said the job fair allows students to talk directly with recruiters.

"There are a lot of opportunities here, a variety," Butler said.

Although the number of companies recruiting SU students is bouncing back, some students were dissatisfied by the lack of diversity of recruiters.

"It's a pretty acceptable size, but the two people I wanted weren't even there," said senior Britany Dennis. "I wasted my money printing out my resume."

Students from some majors struggled to find jobs related to their desired field. Other majors, mostly related to the business field, were more widely represented.

"I'd like to get into forestry and agriculture, but it's hard when there are only two (related) booths here," said junior Cornelius Alexander Fletcher.

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BY ERIN TRAYLOR
Editor-in-Chief

Over half of Salisbury University students who graduated last May are still seeking employment, according to a Career Services study. Meanwhile, the national unemployment rate is over 9 percent, suggesting the lack of jobs for SU grads is far from an isolated condition.

For the past two weeks, hundreds of Americans, including college students, from across the country have joined in protest near Wall Street, against what they see as the root of the problem, corporate greed.

Although the Occupy Wall Street movement initially received limited coverage by mainstream media, rumored to be caused by a "media blackout," the movement continues to grow and inspire other major cities to follow suit.

The movement

Since Sept. 17 countless Americans have gathered in Zuccotti Park in New York's financial district, to support Occupy Wall Street, a protest against what they see as economic injustice and corporate greed.

But this is not a typical march and picket; this is an encampment of non-violent, tent-wielding young activists, and a glimpse of the generation facing a lack of jobs in a fractured economy.

Blankets, tarps and ground pads cover the concrete, news cameras show, along with a vast spread of cardboard signs bearing messages like "We Want Money for Healthcare, Not Corporate Welfare" and "Wall Street is Our Street."

Inspired by the recent uprisings in Cairo's Tahrir Square and Madrid's Puerta del Sol Square, the protesters, calling themselves "the 99 percent," vow to end what they call "the monied corruption of democracy in the United States," proliferated by big corporations and the wealthy, a.k.a the "1 percent."

Protesters model their goal of a truly democratic society through General Assembly meetings held each day during which anyone can speak, according to news reports. Because city officials prohibit megaphones and other amplifiers, individuals surrounding the speaker have begun repeating his words clearly so everyone can hear.

Occupy Wall Street has been gaining momentum since the first call to action on July 13 by Vancouver-based anti-consumerist magazine, Adbusters. Other calls to action have sounded in cities across America, including Boston, Denver and San Francisco. Most of these sister protests are set to start within the first week of October, including one in Washington on Oct. 6 and one in Los Angeles on Saturday, according to the L.A. Times.



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A masked demonstrator protests environmental harm in the streets of New York while NYPD officers look on.

Over half SU May grads seek employment

Despite its relevance toward college graduates entering the labor market, few SU students have heard of the movement. Senior Jordan Krock is among those who have.

"If I had the time to get away from my classes and my exams I would definitely go participate in a heartbeat," he said.

Krock, a physics major, said he does not feel confident about landing a job after graduation.

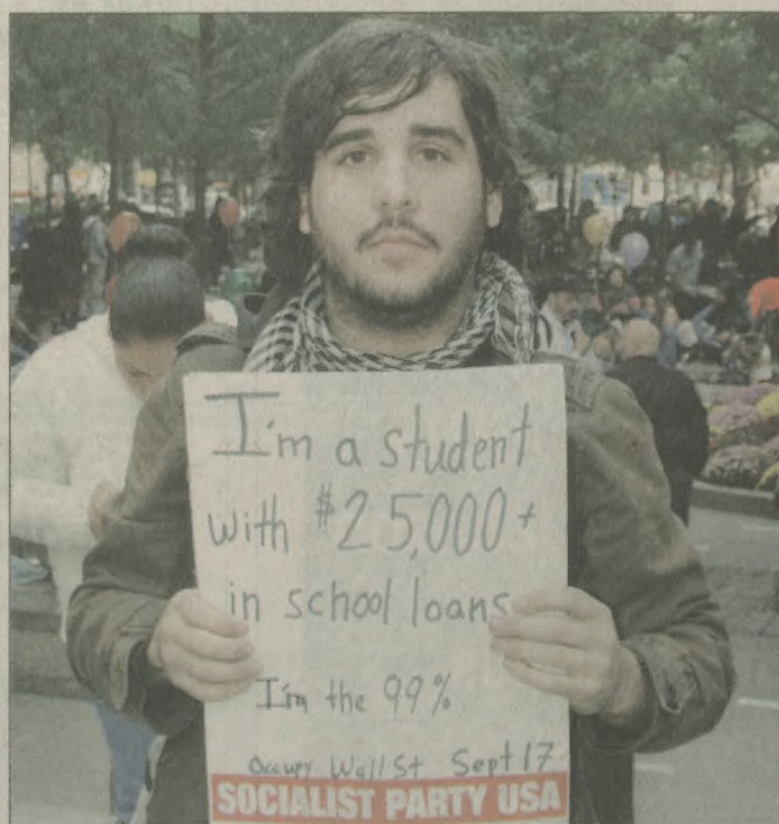
"The majority of students after graduation end up moving back into their parents' houses because there are no jobs out there," he said. "It's really scary."

According to a survey released this year by Career Services, 52.14 percent of SU students who graduated last May are still seeking employment; meanwhile 11.77 percent are employed full-time, 18.97 percent are employed part-time, 14.11 percent are furthering their education and 3.02 percent are unemployed. Out of about 1,508 graduates, 1,028 took the survey.

Sophomore Dan Holt said he feels "kind-of" confident in finding a job after graduation.

"I'm hoping that all the problems

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A student expresses his dismay with a sign during the Occupy Wall Street protest in New York's Zuccotti Park.

Honors House changes to benefit students

BY KATELYN DRAPER
Staff Writer

The Honors Program at Salisbury University implemented changes to aid in campus safety and enhance the program's ability to reach more students.

After a former honors student gained access into the Honors House when the university was closed last Christmas Eve, SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach began to question campus safety.

"It really made us think- what is our responsibility to ensure the students are as safe as possible?" said Diane Allen, provost of the university.

Allen appointed Melanie Perreault, associate provost, as head of a safety

committee to discuss necessary changes.

The committee decided to install new lighting, emergency phones and cameras around the Honors House and no access after midnight.

"I was upset when access to the Honors House was restricted," said Ameila Willoughby, co-president of program. "The changes were made my junior year, so I was used to the old 24/7 policy. It must've been a bombshell for the new students."

Prior to the incident, Dudley-Eshbach focused on making the Honors program more inclusive for more students. She created a task force who examined other honors programs, such as those at Towson University and Drexel University, in order to make recommendations for

the honors program at SU.

The task force decided to hire a director specifically for the Honors program and to extend that position from 10 months to 12 months to increase time for recruiting new students and scheduling.

"I think the 12 months shows the Honors Program is an integral part of the university," Richard England said.

England was the director for five years and said he believes the changes will help the program grow and expand on campus.

"As the program grows I hope it keeps qualities where the students are a part of the community, involved with changes and are dedicated to their research," England said.

Even though England stepped down as director, he said he hopes to pour more energy into aiding the students in their research.

While the search for a new director continues, Jay Carlander is temporarily filling the position as interim director.

"I'm really proud of SU's promotion of undergraduate research, and I am grateful to do the same thing on a larger scale," said Carlander, who led the history pro research seminar.

England offered advice to the current board.

"Make sure that everything you are doing is in interest of the students and realize the privilege it is to work with some of the best students of the university," England said.

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WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY

Flu Vaccination Clinic

The annual Flu Vaccination Clinic is 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, October 5, and Friday, October 7, in the Nanticoke Room of the Guilford University Center. The cost of the vaccine is \$15, and it is payable by cash, check or Gull Card.

All students, faculty, staff, spouses, partners and retirees are eligible for the clinic. Students under the age of 18 must provide written consent from a parent or guardian. To obtain a consent form or have a consent form faxed to Student Health Services prior to the clinic, please call 410-543-6262 to make arrangements.

The Centers for Disease Control and American College Health Association strongly recommend vaccination for all adults, especially those with pre-existing health conditions that may put them at greater risk for complications from the flu. Please consult your healthcare provider with individual concerns. This year's vaccine contains three strains of seasonal influenza viruses, including H1N1 (which is now being treated as a seasonal influenza and no longer a novel virus).

Information regarding this year's vaccine, contraindications and recommendations are available by visiting the Centers for Disease Control Web site. The clinic is sponsored by Student Health Services and the Nursing Department.

LECTURE FRIDAY

Exhibit Ongoing - January 12

Back from the Brink: SU's Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art presents "Back from the Brink: Stories of Wildfowl Conservation," on display in the LaMay Gallery until January 12.

On the Eastern Shore of Maryland and throughout the United States, several species of birds have neared extinction as gunning practices and habitat loss have taken a toll on wildfowl populations. Over the last century, the efforts of lawmakers, birdwatchers, environmentalists, hunters and everyday citizens have helped to bring some species back from the brink.

This rare selection of artworks, photographs, artifacts and memorabilia shares stories of successful conservation efforts, attempts that came too late, and what the future might hold for currently threatened species and habitats. "Market Hunting," a lecture by collector Henry Stansbury on Friday, October 7, is presented in conjunction with the exhibit, followed immediately by the Chesapeake Wildfowl Expo pig roast from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Admission to the exhibit and lecture during the Expo are free. Pig roast tickets are \$13, available in advance. For information call 410-742-4988, ext. 120, or visit www.wardmuseum.org.

Crime Beat

9/24/11
2 - 2:15 a.m.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION

SU Police observed a student near Henson Hall in the possession of an alcoholic beverage. The student was issued a citation for underage possession of alcohol.

9/24/11
9:45 - 10 p.m.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION

SU Police observed a non-student on Bateman Street in the possession of an alcoholic beverage. The subject was identified and issued a citation for underage possession of alcohol.

9/24/11
10 - 10:30 p.m.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION

SU Police observed a student on Bateman/Wayne Street in possession of an alcoholic beverage. The student was issued a citation for underage possession.

9/24/11
11:30 p.m.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION

SU Police observed a student in parking lot "F" in possession of an alcoholic beverage. The student was issued a citation for underage possession of alcohol.

9/24/11
10:30 a.m.

THEFT

Student reported her bicycle seat was stolen from the Manokin Hall bicycle rack area.

9/26/11
8:30 a.m.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Student acted in a disorderly matter inside Perdue Hall. Criminal charges are pending.

9/27/11
2:30 - 4 p.m.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Student created a disturbance inside the East Campus Complex. He was subsequently arrested for disorderly conduct.

9/28/11
11:30 p.m.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Resident assistant reported a disturbance inside Sea Gull Square involving several students. The incident was forwarded to Student Affairs.

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with jobs will be solved by the end of college," he said. "If they're not, I'll go to graduate school."

'Media blackout'

Statistics like these and bleak job prospects prompted many to take to the streets in an attempt to get media and public attention.

However, during the first week of protest, Occupy Wall Street caught little media attention, sparking participants to presume "media blackout."

Krock also took notice of the slim coverage.

"We had newsworthy things happening in this country and the only way I could find out about it was from a friend of a friend in Spain," he said.

Media watch group, Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting, is monitoring possible censorship closely.

After the non-profit organization sent an Action Alert Sept. 23 to nightly news programs, such as NBC, criticizing their failure to report, corporate coverage increased, according to the FAIR website.

Decisions to under-report have been backed by some news networks, like NPR, whose executive news editor, Dick Meyer, said "The recent protests on Wall Street did not involve large numbers of people, prominent people, a great disruption or an especially clear objective," according to the FAIR website. The day after Meyer's statement was released on Sept. 26, NPR seemingly changed its mind and included a segment about the protest on radio program All Things Considered.

SU Communication Arts professor, Haven Simmons, also shed light on the "blackout."

"Corporate media in America have their sacred cows. Media moguls, many of whom are part of the elite enjoying tax breaks from the Bush years, are more comfortable exiling grassroots movements such as Occupy Wall Street. The protesters are likely to be ignored or portrayed as kooky people on the fringe unless their numbers grow significantly," he said.

"Warren Buffett became an inconvenience when, as the second wealthiest man in the country and arguably the most savvy investor of all time, he asked why the very wealthy should not equitably share the tax burden. His remarks could not be dismissed entirely, attracting the interest of more Americans than powerful factions would like to admit," Simmons said.

Simmons continued to say the

same thing happened with the late Pennsylvania legislator John Murtha, a 31-year Marine who forcefully spoke against the Iraq War in November 2005.

"Until then, corporate media and politicians of both parties ostensibly supported an increasingly unpopular war to demonstrate their patriotic zeal," he said.

Some argue the "Wall Street Woodstock," a term coined by Al Jazeera reporter Danny Schechter, lacks the integrity to merit more coverage.

Skepticism over the protesters' failure to present specific demands is prevalent, especially among bloggers.

Others, including an anonymous reddit.com contributor who claims to be part of the "1 percent," believe protesters' complaints aren't reaching the right ears and would be better fit for Washington DC.

Further opposition comes in the form of ridicule, spewed by bloggers who patronize the protesters' youth,

dyed hair and naiveté.

Aside from bloggers' reports, it seems most mainstream media coverage has been sparked by unlawful attacks on innocent protesters by police. One incident involved four girls being panned and sprayed with mace without reason.

"It's astonishingly unfair," said Adam Goldstein, attorney advocate for the Student Press Law Center in Va.

"(Police officers) often cross the line and take action that wouldn't be legally sensible," he said. "To know where the line is, you need to be an expert in constitutional law, and nobody becomes a police officer because they're an expert in constitutional law."

Goldstein said protesters have the right to be seen and to protest, but do not have the right to block the street. Police officers should only be there to maintain order.



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Atheist Society fliers vandalized

BY DIANA DWYER
News Editor

They don't know why their fliers are being taken down, but they're not going to stop spreading word of their club.

About 20 fliers advertising the Atheist Society have been removed by an unknown person or group.

"I think people do it out of malice," said Atheist Society President Danny Flexner. "It's a common problem for atheist groups."

Atheist Society Secretary Favi Bautista and Flexner said there is a stigma applied to the word "atheist."

The club's bulletin board was vandalized with the words "I love Jesus." A new board has been put in place.

The Atheist Society fliers were personally stamped with approval to be hung by Student Government Association President Jessica DiPietro.

Therefore, they should not have been removed due to failure to obey posting guidelines.

"The new board will probably be routinely vandalized," Flexner said. "I'm expecting it."

Campus Crusade for Christ President Matt Custer said that no CRU fliers have been vandalized this semester.

"Sometimes when we hang up fliers or (write messages in) chalk, we get into conversations with students about what CRU is and what it's all about, and that's Jesus," he said.

"Most of the time people are respectful, even excited to hear more or get involved, but I can remember a few times when students have re-

sponded with somewhat hateful attitudes."

Catholic Campus Ministry President Yamilée Fleural said of the many fliers that have been posted, she hasn't noticed that any of CCM's fliers have been vandalized.

"I believe this is an isolated issue, but either way I don't think any ... group should be attacked for freely expressing their religious beliefs," Fleural said.

The fliers were designed by Flexner, an art major. They say, "Don't believe in God? You are not alone" and feature the club's logo: a brain fused with a light bulb. Flexner said the purpose of the fliers is to attract members who will think, "Finally, I have a place to belong."

The club is open to all students, and students who are part of religious institutions also attend Atheist Society meetings, which are held on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in Fireside Lounge.

During an interview, Flexner invited a passer-by with whom he had previously discussed Christianity to the meeting. The student said he could not attend but thanked Flexner for the invitation.

Custer said some CRU members attend Atheist Society meetings.

"It's an effort to show love to everyone, despite (holding) different beliefs," Custer said.

Bautista tried to find out who is removing the fliers but had no success.

"I was a troll with the posters and did a little test," she said.

She raked Atheist Society fliers next to CRU and CCM fliers, and they were taken down the next day.



Submitted photo

Atheist Society, from left: Favi Bautista, Danny Flexner, Stephen Kelly, Kameron Byrd and John Tully.

However, Flexner said he doubts there is a concentrated effort to take down the fliers.

"It could be a few (people) who feel uncomfortable," he said. "It's too bad

people are afraid of a different viewpoint."

The club will continue to hold meetings and replace torn-down fliers.

"It's annoying knowing nothing will change," Bautista said. "I want to know the reason why. I don't see it happen to other fliers."

Almost 40 clubs lose RSO status City council discusses downtown dilemma

BY MARY CAPPER
Staff Writer

A list emailed by the Student Government Association stated 39 previously recognized student organizations lost their status and became derecognized, including Alpha Sigma Phi, National Broadcast Society, Squawakapella, and SU TV.

RSOs are the clubs on campus that receive recognition and funding from the university. A club doesn't necessarily need to become an RSO, but it would be restricted from certain privileges, including room reservations, funding for field trips and access to university vehicles if it did not become one. The email noted that the RSOs were not being recognized, they don't have the university backing them up," said Sarah Jansson, executive vice president of SGA. "Groups just have to be active to maintain status."

To become an RSO, a club needs a full-time faculty or staff member as an advisor, at least 10 members, to not overlap with current groups, and it must be open to all Salisbury University students.

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literally all accounting."

Christen Fields-Carr, a senior, said it was a struggle to find companies related to her English major.

To maintain RSO status, a club must attend three forums per semester and participate in two SGA-sponsored events. RSOs also have the option of participating in only

maintaining RSO status.

"(The requirements are) not too much to ask of us as a club; if we need money, appropriations helps us out," Schoonmaker said. "The events also give us the chance to meet other clubs and improve membership."

Noelle Ford, co-president of the Honors Student Association and a writer for the Scarab Literary Magazine, said she believes maintain RSO status is important. The Honors Student Association is an RSO, and Ford said the magazine is working to regain RSO status.

"(The Scarab Literary Magazine) decided we wanted to be more professional and not directly linked to the school," Ford said. "It was horrible. We had no funding, we weren't recognized by the school and it was hard to get flyers (approved)."

The Scarab Literary Magazine is attempting to become an RSO again after losing their status. In order for them to become one, they have to discuss their club and their goals twice, followed by a vote from representatives from other RSOs.

A full list of derecognized clubs is available on www.thesflyer.com

Artwork by Adora Bowman

one recognized event and then getting a community event signed off as their second event.

Stacey Schoonmaker, president of the Psychology Club, a recognized RSO, said there are many benefits to

students in health and education majors.

"We do a lot of the hard work for students," Horner said. "It's a tough market. The jobs are out there; the students just need to go to the jobs, make themselves available and demonstrate what they will bring."

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Leading freshmen from undeclared to declared

BY MEGAN LYNCH
Special to The Flyer

A new course is being offered at Salisbury University to aid incoming freshmen with undeclared majors.

Career Planning and Major Exploration, which is listed under "Explorations" on GullNet, has been added this fall semester as a two-credit course for students who registered for the Living/Learning Exploratory Community. The students in this community also take two other classes together and live in the same residence hall. There are other Living/Learning Communities, and they are developed to help students adjust to college.

This fall, there are 12 freshmen enrolled in the course.

"My two-hour exploratory living/learning course was developed to assist undeclared freshmen students in selecting a college major that is appropriate for them based on their interests," said Assistant Director of Career Services, Charlie Endicott. "They will also gain a greater understanding of resources available to them while selecting a major. The students will understand how to assess their skills, abilities and interests and transfer those skills/interests to a major that will be rewarding in every aspect of their life."

For the class, Endicott had a student panel made up of upperclassmen and graduate students who were once undeclared come speak to his class. Each upperclassman spoke about their personal experience and journey to declaring their current major, allowing a glimpse into what it may be like if an undeclared student

were to choose that major. Activities such as these can give students a sense of experience and mentorship, while helping to guide them into making a decision on a potential major.

Other activities included in the curriculum to help these students pinpoint their interests include guest speakers from different fields of study and professions and tours of Hope and Life Outreach Ministries, the Art Institute & Gallery, Trinity Transport and more. They will also hear from alumni members who will share their experiences with the students.

Students taking this course can gain a sense of ease and direction to a question that was once so dubious.

"It's refreshing, to say the least, to know that not many people know what they're going to do with their life right away," said freshman LLC student, Kathleen Gutosky. "Most students change their major many times; I believe the average number of times students change their major is eight! I think this class will definitely help bring that number down a bit for those who take advantage of the opportunity to take this course."

This course creates the opportunity for students to not only learn from outside influences but to become inspired to look within themselves for the answers.

Incoming freshmen who may be interested in or have questions about the course may contact the SU Housing Department. Prerequisites include admission to SU as a first-semester student and registration for the "Exploratory Living Learning Community."

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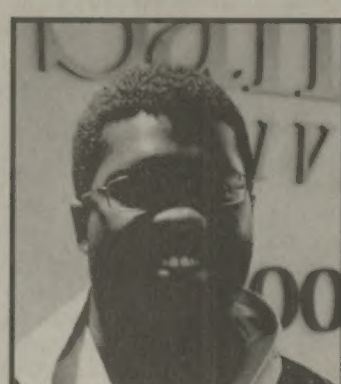
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Problems with pilfering at parties



BY ABIGAIL COLBY
Party Girl Problems Columnist

While it is generally understood that partaking in "party related activities" is essentially illegal and can result in a citation, violation or even arrest, it seems a new brand of partygoers are taking a new risk: theft. In this no rules culture, it is becoming increasingly difficult to ensure that guests keep their hands to themselves or at least off your belongings.

For example, it may seem hospitable to let members of your rage crew use your hosting party, but as the night wears on, you may find that your group of guests changes from close friends and acquaintances to sketchy locals and complete strangers. Those items that you had lying around your bathroom are mysteriously gone.

From purses and beers to wall hangings and iPods, party theft is becoming a serious issue. Perhaps it is not always intentional, but a fine line exists between and honestly mistaking someone's 30-pack as yours and a malicious

Dancing to sad songs: A review of Bombay Bicycle Club

"A Different Kind of Fix" will inevitably serve as a soundtrack for lots of blogging and thrift shopping."



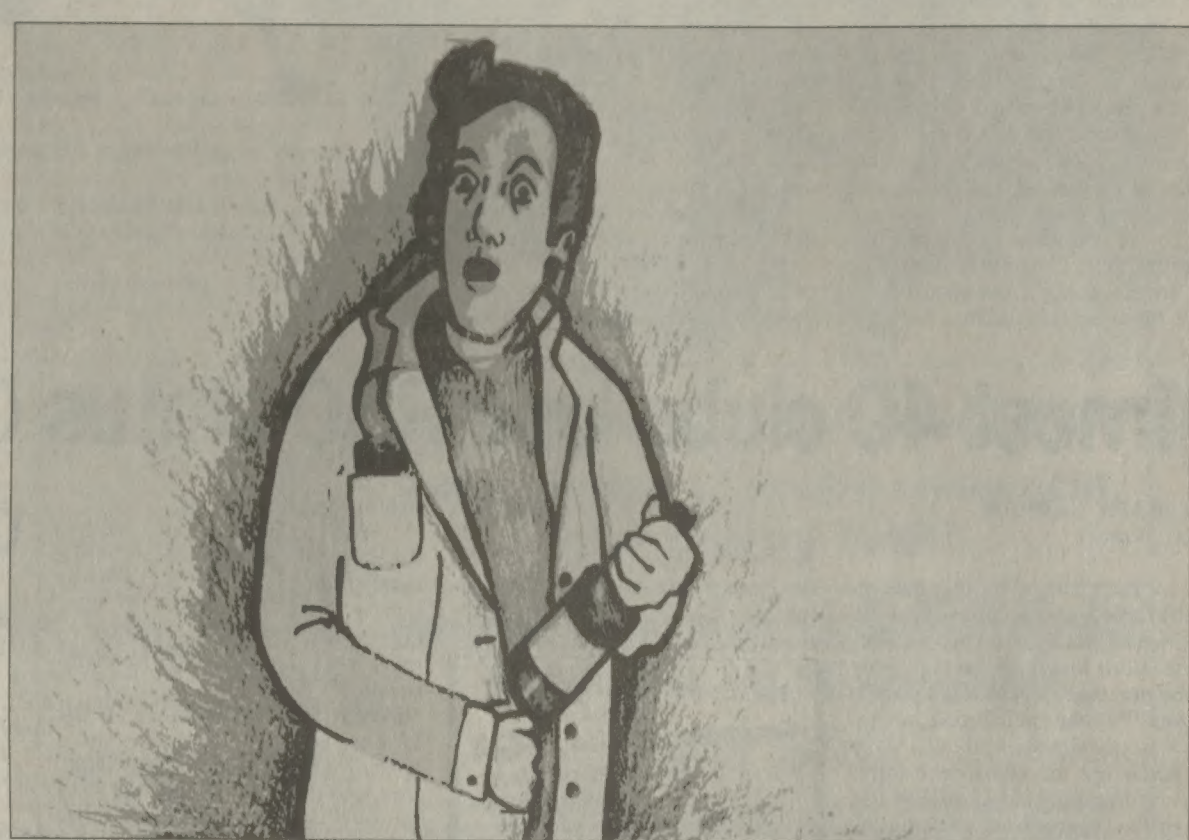
BY STEPHEN WALDRON
Staff Writer

The formula for a modern indie rock band can be broken down into a few simple ingredients. Take a few young men, add impossibly skinny jeans and mix with trendy haircuts; instruments are optional. This has been used time and time again and is evident on Bombay Bicycle Club's latest album, "A Different Kind of Fix," released earlier this month.

It is the band's third release and ultimately isn't that different of a fix. That said, it is still a fun and upbeat record that will inevitably serve as a soundtrack for lots of blogging and thrift shopping.

The first thing that sticks out is the steady rhythm that each of the songs keep. There are 13 tracks on the album, and they are linked together by the thumping drums of Suren de Saram. His percussion drives most of the songs, with the help of some heavy bass lines.

In fact, the prominent drum and bass in "Fix" makes for good dance music. This is impressive, considering the songs themselves, written by lead singer Jack Steadman, have



Artwork by Adora Bowman

booze.

It seems alcohol, although one of the less expensive items on the "frequently taken" list, spurs the most drama at house parties. Junior Kelly Thurston recalls an incident she witnessed at a party a few weeks ago. "All of a sudden these girls start screaming at this guy playing beer pong, accusing him of taking shots from their handle that was in the freezer...it almost escalated into a full blown physical altercation," she said.

Along with fellow party

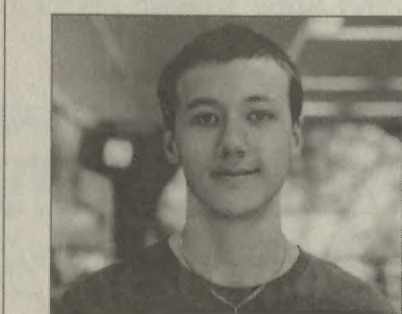
guests, the hosts of the party are also susceptible having their items taken as well. Fred, an SU senior who wishes to remain anonymous, recalls his iPod being stolen at a party he was hosting.

"All of a sudden we realized the music had stopped. When I made it over to the speakers, I realized someone had walked off with my iPod!" Fred said, "It just doesn't make sense to me. Why you would do that to the person having the party? I just wanted everyone to have a good time."

Help put a stop to Salisbury Swiping:

- 1 Ask the party host(s) if there's a spot you can hide your belongings. That is, if you know the hosts of the party. That shiftily-eyed "roommate" could really be a party thief in disguise.
- 2 Minimize valuable items you bring out with you. It can't get stolen by a party thief if it's not at the party.
- 3 If you witness a swiper in action, do what you can to stop him or her without putting yourself or others in danger. Don't orchestrate a drunken five-person ambush, but perhaps the hosts of the party can stop him or her at the door.

Salisbury University: The reputation unravels



BY NICK PERRY
Staff Writer

Once a student has spent a few semesters here, the quaint image of "A Maryland University of National Distinction" unravels.

Why is Salisbury University so anti-student? It seems to me that SU is more concerned with its image and using that image to attract new students, along with more funding.

Last semester, in a reactionary move in response to an unauthorized gathering over winter break, students in the Bellavance Honors Program were locked out of the Honors House on Camden Avenue. After outcry, some of the House privileges were returned, but the whole experience left a sour taste in the mouths of many Honors students. The Honors Program is not the same program that was a major factor in my decision to enroll at SU.

This semester I have moved into Sea Gull Square, a marvelous triumph of on-campus housing, or so we were told. Among flaws such as thin walls, cramped spaces, doors that do not shut properly, traffic noise from Route 13, fire alarms that go off for no reason and only four out of the promised 11 retail shops, is the terrible Internet connection.

The inadequate connection would

not be a huge problem if one of my professors did not assign videos and online activities for our class. It is not only illogical, but inconsiderate that the school gives us online assignments, but cannot provide us a decent Internet connection in the residence halls.

It is evident that the extent of SU's concern is that Sea Gull Square looks and sounds nice.

This year, Perdue Hall opened at a cost of \$55 million to students, taxpayers and an \$8 million contribution from Perdue Farms. Again, such a building appears wonderful to people driving down Route 13 and people taking a tour of it, but it does not benefit every student, only those who have classes there.

What has the potential to benefit more students? What about a library that has computers with all of the academic software various classes use and books published this side of the Cold War? Perdue Hall seems to have been constructed as a distraction from the dire states that other buildings are in, such as Blackwell Library, Caruthers Hall and Devilbiss Hall. "SU Opens Perdue Hall" makes for a better-sounding headline than "SU Brings Library into the Current Century."

I chose SU over other schools that accepted me for several reasons, one of which was that SU seemed to have people that genuinely cared about the students. However, the events I have described above, in addition to many other occurrences, have proven the opposite to be true.

As long as SU looks good on brochures to prospective students and their parents, major benefactors such as Perdue Farms and random people driving down Route 13, SU will be acting in an anti-student way.

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Bad Advice BY Jordan

Dear Jordan,

I have really been trying to branch out socially, but my friends only want to go to the same couple of places every weekend. Every time I suggest going some place new, they don't want to. I really want to make my social circle bigger, but I feel like my friends are holding me back. What should I do?

Sincerely,
Socially Stuck

Dear Socially Stuck,

Come on now, this is common sense. Unless these kids have you on a leash with a matching "BFF" collar, they're not forcing you to do anything. Put on your big-dog, panties and abandon the pack.

Social media is a great way to make new friends. Here are

some tips on how to make friends via Facebook.

• Randomly add hundreds of people. The more friends you have the more people will think you're cool and want to be your friend too.

• Post suggestive pictures of yourself. You'll be pleasantly surprised by how many guys want to say hi.

• Be sure to "like" whatever everyone else likes.

If you find social media to be impersonal, consider socializing on campus instead.

The easiest way to make friends this way is to buy them. This should be an easy given the four sororities and seven fraternities at SU. If going Greek is beyond your budget, just talk loudly so people notice you.

Okay, but seriously...

Make going to class worth your while. You know those people you talk to while pretending to listen to your teacher lecturing on the geological formation of stalagmites? Those are called your "class friends." Find one that you're the most comfortable with and make plans to go out with them this weekend.

I joked about it earlier, but consider joining a sorority or fraternity. There is a reason they call each other sisters/brothers. But be warned, old friends can get jealous of your new friendships, so encourage them to join your new circle of friends. Another option that may require less commitment is just joining one of the other clubs on campus.

Later dog,
Jordan

To seek bad advice from Jordan, email your question to thesullyerblog@gmail.com

GREEK SPEAK

BY CHRIS CASTLE
Inter-Fraternity Council Correspondent

This semester over 75 men came out to join a fraternity, and roughly 2/3 of them were freshmen. Salisbury University practices a deferred recruitment policy, which requires students to have 12 credits before students can join a fraternity or sorority; a source of an ongoing conflict between Greeks and SU's administrators.

Greeks have attempted to get rid of deferred recruitment for over a year, expending little cooperation from university administrators. SU claims that students need 12 credits to establish a GPA and demonstrate that they are acclimated to campus before getting involved in Greek Life, but still allows first semester freshmen to join clubs and sports teams that require similar amounts of commitment.

The administration's negative view of Greeks seems to ignore the many proven positives of becoming involved in Greek Life.

The graduation rate of Greeks stands at 71 percent, compared to the 50 percent rate of non-Greeks. Auburn University reviewed the deferred recruitment process which suggested the university keep an open recruitment, allowing first semester freshmen to pledge.

The 11 Greek organizations here at SU are the most involved in campus life, attending and hosting more events than every other RSO combined. It was also found that deferred recruitment only delays problems of failing academics and alcohol abuse.

According to the "Pledge Effect," it's irrelevant to a student's success when they join a Greek organization, it only matters that they actually join. Since risk management education and alcohol abuse awareness targets fraternities, why wouldn't the university encourage a larger amount of student exposure?

Speaking from a legal standpoint, every student of a public university is guaranteed the right of freedom of association by the U.S. Constitution.

Deferred recruitment was established at SU as a test, but thought was never given to abolish it until last year. The Inter-Fraternity Council has made several strides to demonstrate that fraternities can work together by creating a more unified recruitment process, stricter enforcement of non-hazing rules, and work against alcohol abuse during recruitment, while adhering to the rigors of SU's Greek Assessment Program (SUGAP).

Changes must be made to better our campus' Greek Life, and it should begin with recruitment.

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Earth-savvy artist builds plastic dome

"The idea is to do more with less." - artist Deidra Krieger

BY ADEDOYIN JUNAID
Staff Writer

It was hard to miss the massive 6-foot work of art located on the Fulton Hall lawn since Monday. Plastic Fantastic, which has had eleven appearances prior to the one at Salisbury University, is an immersive play environment. Made up of 6,000 post-consumer water bottles with back and front doors, the dome holds artist performances and creates videos. It's almost like a world outside of reality.

"The idea is to do more with less," said artist, Deidra Krieger. Krieger delivered a speech Wednesday evening at Fulton Hall. With help from SU students, Krieger was installed the geodesic dome. "Play to me is getting away from school work," Krieger said.

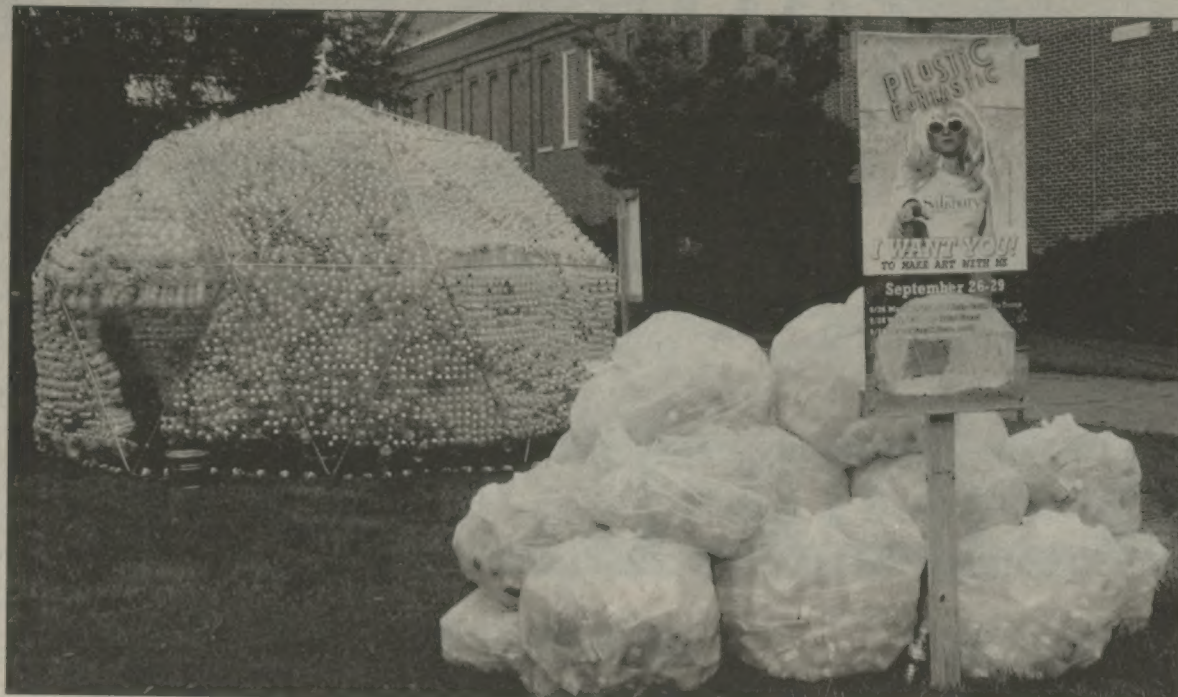
The Philadelphia born artist, spoke about her multi-year project. She credits her inspiration to artists such as Blackmister Fuller, who actually invented the dome

and Yoko Ono, an instructional artist.

Krieger, who has been asked 'why water bottles?' on many occasions, referred back to her stay in Australia. After returning to Philadelphia following her work with the global movement Oxfam, Australia, she realized the water bottle trend. The use of bottles allows for Krieger to make more space while using the minimum amount of materials.

"There were water bottles everywhere...what did I miss?" Krieger said. Plastic Fantastic not only allows for recycling of water bottles, but it calls attention to the lack of clean water available to people all over the world. Plastic Fantastic offers community members the opportunity to make art, build, play and form stronger bonds; it's a different type of play.

SU students from all departments gathered together at Fulton Hall. "I've never really dug deeper



The completed Plastic Fantastic dome sits on the lawn in front of Fulton Hall. The structure took three days to complete.

when considering the act of play, and Plastic Fantastic rendered me an opportunity to do so" said freshman Ayobami Awe.

Awe is one of the many students who were offered the opportunity to reconsider what it means to play and to turn everyday events into performances. "It makes you realize that there isn't one way to engage in play and that you can make a simple experience into something abstract and artistic."

Krieger has stated that this was the fastest installation of plastic fantastic, holding a record of two days.

"This collaboration with SU has moved plastic fantastic to a new and fantastic phase"



Jefferson Boyhr and Deidra Krieger work together to build Plastic Fantastic.

Hip hop artist Miguel to kick-off first fall concert in 3 years

BY SAMIM MANIZADE
Staff Writer

Friday found students eagerly gathered on the western side of Red Square, as sophomore host Robb White called everybody to attention.

A stir ran through the crowd because White was preparing to announce the mystery artist for this fall's Student Organization for Activity Planning concert. He read the clues one last time. The artist, known for his futuristic, eclectic style, draws inspiration from artists such as Prince and Lenny Kravitz. He has co-written songs for Mary J. Blige and Usher, and his most famous collaboration has been with J. Cole.

The artist was revealed by his

music, and students were immersed in one of the songs by Miguel Jontel Pimentel, the hip hop/R&B artist known for his hits "Quickie" and "Sure Thing."

Then came the drawing for free tickets. Out of the 1,000 or so guesses about the mystery artist's identity, all of the correct guesses had been gathered into a bowl. The pieces of paper, inscribed with the guesser's name, were shuffled and a slip was drawn bearing the name of junior Cindy Portillo.

"He's amazing; I'm so excited," said Portillo, when asked how she felt about Miguel's performance.

Others were not so exuberant when questioned, such as Jared Kobilinsky.

"I don't really know who that is," Kobilinsky said.

Overall, however, there was much celebration.

Miguel's presence will not be the only reason this concert is significant. SOAP president Emma Newell-Ngo said fall concerts were passed over for a time in order to save money for larger spring concerts.

Signed at by the age of 14, Miguel demonstrates, according to his website, a "raw honey falsetto that oozes into your soul and stays there, even after the music stops."

Miguel is known for his extremely intimate song-crafting and is in demand as a performing artist for stars such as Usher and Mary J. Blige.

Miguel will perform on Sunday, Oct. 30 in Holloway Hall, and the doors will open at 5 p.m. Official



Members of SOAP announce Miguel, the hip hop artist chosen for the Kick-Off to Homecoming fall concert on October 30th.

ticket sales began on Monday at the Guerrier Information Desk. Tickets are \$5 and can only be purchased with cash.

TOMS club strives to save lives by donating shoes

BY KRISTINA JACKEREAS
Staff Writer

Right now, a child in Ethiopia is walking to school without shoes.

Salisbury University students have the opportunity to help the less fortunate through the newly formed TOMS Shoes Club, by raising awareness for the TOMS Shoes Organization and helping to extend its impact on the world through fundraising and donations.

TOMS is a non-profit organization whose main source of funding is through donations. The organization has a "One for One Movement," which means that when a person

buys a pair of TOMS, another separate pair of is donated to someone who cannot afford them.

"When you think of TOMS, you think of a good cause," said senior and English major Sana Haque. "TOMS works to help people in need, and I'll be excited if the club does the same." Haque attended the TOMS interest meeting on Wednesday.

Although the club has yet to be approved by the Student Government Association, president Jess Langrehr has already brainstormed many goals and events in order to help those in need, including shoe drives, trips to the Salisbury Roller Rink, and weekly shoe donations. Langrehr also hopes

to make at least \$1,000 during the first fundraiser.

If approved, TOMS Club aims to follow in the footsteps of the TOMS Shoes Organization by donating shoes to those who need them. Students have the opportunity to give back, and even save lives.

Even students who have never heard of TOMS shoes believe that the club will be an interesting addition to the school. Senior physical education major Eric Perlovitz is one of them.

"This club will definitely be good for Salisbury," Perlovitz said. "It's a good way for this school to make more of a difference."

At the SGA meeting on Sept. 23,

Langrehr discussed TOMS, and how it would differ from other organizations on campus.

"We are similar to other clubs in the fact that we want to make a difference; however your differences reside in the idea of literally saving lives," Langrehr said. "People in third world countries die every day from injuries and illnesses that are preventable merely by wearing shoes. A pair of shoes to us is just another collateral thing. But to one of them, a pair of shoes is a dream come true."

Langrehr also mentioned that by giving the less fortunate something to wear on their feet, people help them to succeed in life and give hope

for better days ahead. "Something as little as giving a pair of shoes to a person means more than just that- it's saving their life," Langrehr said. "Changing a life, including your own, begins with a single step."

TOMS Club currently consists of about 45 members, and would be open to all majors as well as the public. Many students have already gained an interest in the club, including junior and public relations major Emily Matthews.

"I feel like this club is really going to make students aware of what they can do for those in need," Matthews said. "Even a little bit of help can make a big difference."

SGA to host Recycle Madness

BY LAUREN ANDERSON
Staff Writer

Recycling has everything to do with Salisbury University students this semester. From 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Red Square on October 6, the Student Government Association is taking recycling to the next level with its Recycle Madness program.

"We wanted to create an event on campus to make students more aware of the environment around them through promoting recycling," said SGA Senate Speaker Tanner Shepherd.

The goal of the program is for students and organizations to get together and recycle as much as possible, including paper, aluminum, plastic, cardboard and glass.

For a club or organization to be recognized, they must collect ten, 13 gallon bags or have four members attend the event for its duration. Individual students who collect

enough recyclables to fill one 13-gallon bag will be rewarded with a t-shirt.

"The choice of throwing something in a trashcan or a recycling bin is rarely thought about, but it makes such an impact," Shepherd said.

When something is ordinarily thrown in a trashcan, it goes to a landfill, but when the same item is recycled, it can be reused. Just recycling one can is one can that doesn't have to go to the landfill and can be reused, saving the environment.

To some, recycling feels like their duty to the world.

"We waste a lot of resources as it is, and recycling keeps us from using even more," said Megan Hershberger. "If we don't recycle, we're just killing the Earth faster and destroying the animals and all that have been here way longer than us."

SGA senator Michael Bengtson added that recycling is especially important. "Through the act of recycling, we're lessening what goes to the landfill," Bengtson said.

Correction: In the Sept. 27 issue, in an article titled "Graduate students achieve their own government," The Flyer incorrectly printed that Lauren Friedman is a graduate assistant at the Center for Student Achievement. Friedman is a graduate assistant at the Registrars Office.

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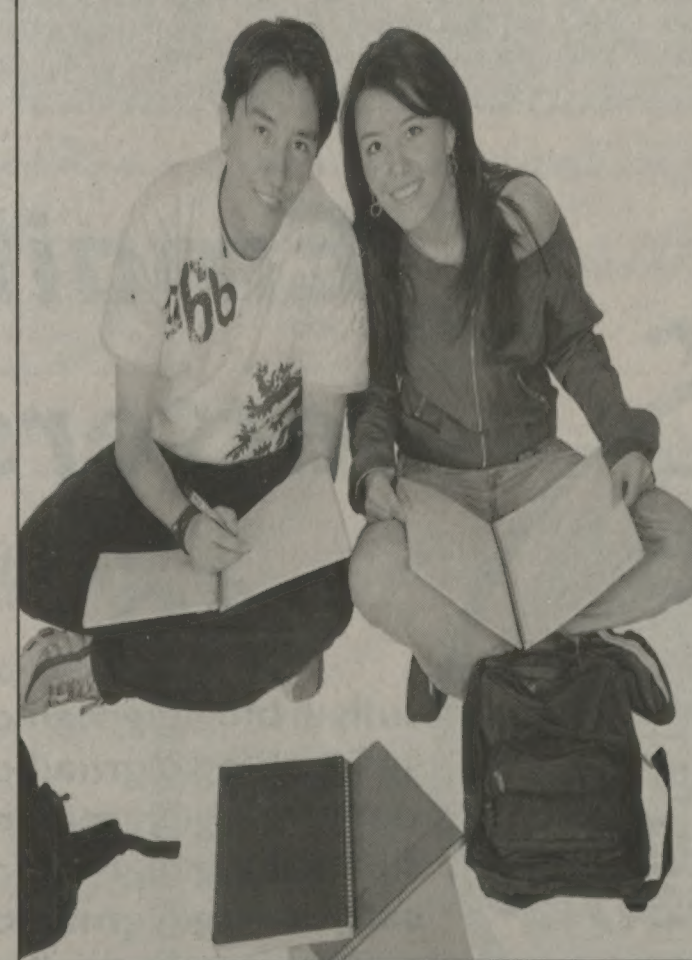
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Volleyball raises \$865 for 'Pump for Jenny'



Adam Dunn photo

Women's Volleyball team celebrates a point during Tuesday's 3-2 win over Mary Washington. The team advanced to 17-1 on the season.

BY PATRICK DRENGWITZ
Sports Editor

As if the night couldn't have been made any sweeter after the win, the

women's volleyball game had helped the team reach the \$65 dollar mark for the "Pump for Jenny" fundraiser.

The women's softball and volley-

ball teams started "Pump for Jenny" to raise money for breast cancer patient Jenny Zepp Varner. The overall goal of the teams is to raise \$8,500 that will go towards helping

Varner buy a device called the Flex-touch System, which will help fight her stage three cancer.

The team battled back and forth against the Eagles of Mary Wash-

ington winning their eleventh-straight win.

"What a battle," said head coach Margie Knight. "That was as good as it gets, two heavyweights going at it. There was an awesome crowd, which helped our players battle back. They (UMW) are a veteran team and they have great setters."

The Sea Gulls (17-1, 4-0 CAC) had their hands full all night as the Eagles forced a tough five-game match. Salisbury dropped the first match to Mary Washington (12-2), plagued by blocked hits and balls going out. Salisbury came back strong in the second game, though, and evened up the score 1-1 after a key kill by junior middle hitter Chelsea Glowacki.

"We were able to come back with better serving, defense and adjustments," Knight said.

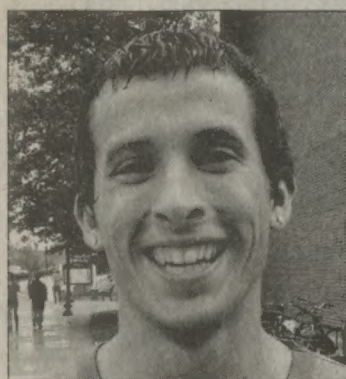
In the third match, Mary Washington was again able to take back advantage with a win, scoring six out of the final nine points and moving the score to 2-1. However, Salisbury again rebounded with a win in the fourth, aided in part by kills from Glowacki, sophomore outside hitter Sam Seifert and junior opposite Jenna Shay.

With the score 2-2, and after both teams refusing to yield, they moved to the fifth decisive match to determine the winner. Only needing a score of 15 rather than 25, Salisbury led at the changeover 8-5 and never let up, eventually winning on a thrilling Seifert ace, the only one that night.

"We stayed composed, and when we play together nobody can beat us," Seifert said.

The team plays next on Oct. 5 at Marymount Va, starting a ten-day road campaign that includes the Christopher Newport University Invitational Tournament in Newport News, Va. The Gulls return home on Oct. 15 to play Oneonta State at 5 p.m. in the SU Tournament.

Athlete Spotlight



Andrew Cantor photo

Ryan Jackson

BY ANDREW CANTOR
Staff Writer

Sophomore Ryan Jackson stormed the cross-country scene last year, winning the CAC meet and qualifying for Nationals. This year, he has been named CAC Athlete of the Week...twice. The Flyer sat down with Ryan to answer a few questions.

When did you start running competitively?

My junior year of high school. A lot of my friends ran track, and I wanted to see how I could do.

You won the conference meet as a freshman in your first cross-country season. Describe that race.

I wanted to go and stick with (Salisbury senior) Chris Barnard and compete with him. I saw my opportunity to go with 800 meters left and just took it.

You had a big race a few weeks ago at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth meet where you broke 25 minutes for the 8k run. Did you know you were going to have such a big race?

This time last year, I had no idea how fast I could run. After doing some of the workouts this year, I knew it was something that I really wanted to do.

What are your goals for the rest of the season? I definitely want to win conferences and go to nationals as a team and run well there.

I hear you're a pretty big fan of crabs and even challenged some of the throwers on the track team to an eating contest.

I enjoy my crabs, being from Maryland. I had a competition with Jay Drenner once and lost. I'm definitely looking for redemption soon.

Club hockey has big expectations

BY COREY SZAJDER
Staff Writer

A new season has begun for Salisbury University's club hockey team and they are coming off a strong year, in which they finished 11th in the regional rankings but just missed the playoffs.

"The goal this season is to average our rankings from last year and make it not only to regionals, but also to nationals," said head coach Ben Hammock.

Hammock has been coaching Salisbury's hockey program for four years and has been able to improve the team's ranking each season, last year being the highest when they were ranked 11th.

This season, he has even higher expectations for the team as they have an impressive roster with a good mix of veterans and younger players. Returning players include senior and team captain Eric Perlowitz, senior forward Johnny Rodriguez and senior defenseman Justin Wirth.

"Our team this year is the strongest that it's ever been and that directly correlates to the newcomers that we have on the team," Hammock said. "We should be very exciting to watch."

Salisbury has started off their year on the right foot as they began the season with a 2-1 road victory over the University of Maryland's

hockey club on Sept. 23.

The team plays their home games at The Centre, located at the Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington, Del. They are currently the University's only major sport that holds practices and games in an off-campus facility. Hammock hopes that this changes one day with the school building an ice-rink somewhere on campus where students could attend games.

"I feel it's the next logical step in the growth of our program," Hammock said.

This year, they have almost their entire team returning, and Hammock is looking to take the program to the next level.

Third straight shutout boosts women's soccer

"They all worked hard in practice, and I liked our team's energy," said head coach Jim Nestor.

BY STEVEN BERSTLER
Staff Writer

The Sea Gulls have picked up three straight shutouts during a five game winning streak, with the latter two coming in victories over Marymount University (Va.) and University of Mary Washington.

On a hot and humid Wednesday afternoon, the Sea Gulls defeated Marymount (Va.) by the score of 3-0. Salisbury collected four points each from senior defender Amanda Zyzak and junior forward Sarah Pfundstein.

At the 22-minute mark, Pfundstein put the ball in the net off a rebound from senior forward Amanda Miele's shot.

The Sea Gulls did not wait long to collect another goal against the Saints (4-5, 0-2 CAC) as Zyzak registered one of her two goals from a Pfundstein through ball. The duo connected again at the 64th minute mark when Pfundstein found Zyzak for an 18-yard blast - her first career multi-goal game.

Goalkeepers Michelle Conrad, Melissa Orgera and Lauren West all contributed in SU in their second consecutive shutout.

"Every player contributed well today," said head coach Jim Nestor. "They all worked hard in practice, and I liked our team's energy."

This was evident as Salisbury took 32 shots from 13 different players.

"These are all good signs going into Saturday against Mary Washington," Pfundstein said.

The energy certainly transferred



Adam Dunn photo

Senior Amanda Zyzak, who scored two goals against Marymount in Wednesday's 3-0 win, races Marymount defender for a chance to score.

for Saturday as SU (7-3-2, 3-0 CAC) put up a 2-0 victory over Mary Washington. At the 24-minute mark, Zyzak posted her third goal on Oct. 15 to play Oneonta State in two games. Freshman Morgan

Brasch scored at the 55-minute mark against the Eagles (6-3-1, 1-2 CAC). Conrad collected two saves for her fourth shutout of the season.

Salisbury will travel to Wesley College for an Oct. 5 evening CAC matchup. The game is slated to start at 7 p.m. The team will return home to play York (Pa.) on Oct. 8

at 1 p.m. at the Salisbury Soccerplex.

Cross Country places 2nd and 3rd at Don Cathcart Invitational



Jackie Holder photo

Members of the mens cross country team run Saturday in their third-place finish at the Don Cathcart Invitational in Winter Place Park.

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The Don Cathcart Invitational Winterplace Park in Salisbury was

the setting for the third meet of the season for the Sea Gulls' cross country teams.

The day was not only highlighted

by second and third place finishes for the women and men, but also by sophomore Ryan Jackson's

standout performance. Not only

did Jackson win the men's race, he ran his personal best time of 24:55 in the 8k run, finishing under 25 minutes for the second time this

year. "I was really happy with the placing for both teams and with some excellent individual performances," said head coach Jim Jones.

The women placed second out of 16 teams with 87 points. The top five women were: Becca Stinner who placed 10th with a time of 22:35, Anna Steinman, who placed 13th with a time of 22:53, Hailey Spinaport, who placed 14th with a time of 22:56, Kira Polimeni, who placed 20th with a time 23:17, and Emily Powell, who placed 32nd with a time of 23:49.

The men placed third out of 14 teams with 121 points. The top five men were: Ryan Jackson, with his personal record of 24:55, John Fitzgerald, who placed 24th with a time of 25:51, David Toller, who placed 32nd with a time 26:38, Alex Arias, who placed 35th with a time of 26:53, and Nathan Austin, who placed 58th with a time of 27:41.

"We took some steps forward with training, and we had some improvement," Jones said. "We still need to close the gaps between the first and fifth runners and the first and seventh runners."

The Sea Gulls run again in the DeSales Invitational on Saturday Oct. 8 at 10 a.m. in Center Valley, PA.

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Wednesday - 10/5	Friday - 10/7	Saturday - 10/8	Sunday - 10/9
Men's Soccer Johns Hopkins 4:00 PM	Volleyball vs. Mary Washington @ Newport News, Va. (CNU Invitational Tournament) *5:30 PM	Cross Country at DeSales Invitational (Center Valley, Pa.) *10:00 AM Football Springfield (Family Day) *12:00 PM Women's Soccer York (Pa.) *1:00 PM Men's Soccer TCNJ *2:00 PM Volleyball vs. Juniata @ Newport News, Va. (CNU Invitational (Newport News, Va.) *2:00 PM Volleyball at Chris. Newport (CNU Invitational Tournament) *4:00 PM	Field Hockey at TCNJ *1:00 PM
Field Hockey Rowan *6:00 PM			
Women's Soccer at Wesley *7:00 PM			
Volleyball at Marymount (Va.) *7:00 PM			

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